

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Parsa Kazemi-Esfarjani *et al.*      Art Unit : UNASSIGNED  
Serial No. : 09/639,207      Examiner : UNASSIGNED  
Filed : August 14, 2000  
Title : AN ANIMAL MODEL OF POLYGLUTAMINE TOXICITY, METHODS OF  
USE, AND MODULATORS OF POLYGLUTAMINE TOXICITY

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 12, line 3, after "polynucleotide" insert --(SEQ ID NOS:12 and 13)--.  
On page 12, line 5, after "repeats" insert --(SEQ ID NOS:14 and 15)--.  
On page 14, line 10, replace "Figure 11" with --Figures 11A and 11B--.  
On page 14, line 11, after "ESTs" insert --(SEQ ID NOS:16-52)--.  
On page 14, line 13, after "ESTs" insert --(SEQ ID NOS:53-69)--.

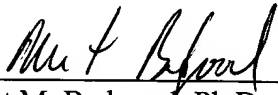
REMARKS

The amendments to the specification were made to add sequence identifiers, and to indicate that Figure 11 is Figures 11A and 11B. The amendments were therefore made to address an informality and do not add new matter. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments. Applicants believe that the application is ready for examination and in a condition for allowance.

No fee is believed to be due. However, if the Examiner determines that fees are due, please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

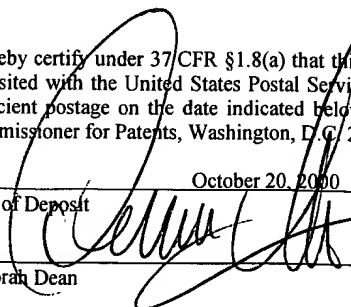
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